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MUROM AIRFIELD  
USSR

1. SIGNIFICANCE: FIRST SIGHTING OF PROBABLE "FIDDLER" AT A FACILITY OTHER THAN THE MANUFACTURING PLANT OR A FLIGHT TEST CENTER.

2. REMARKS: FIDDLER IS A TWO-PLACE, EXTENDED RANGE INTERCEPTOR HAVING A SECONDARY ROLE OF RECONNAISSANCE. IT IS POWERED BY TWO TYPE 31-F AXIAL FLOW, DUAL ROTOR TURBOJETS DEVELOPING 22,000 LB. SLST WITH AFTER-BURNERS. MUROM AIRFIELD IS A SAF TRAINING BASE.

3. LOCATION: 12 NM SE OF MUROM.

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5. FIRST IDENTIFICATION: FIDDLER WAS FIRST SEEN IN THE TUSHINO AIR SHOW IN JUL 61.

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MUROM AIRFIELD WAS FIRST OBSERVED ON TALENT MISSION

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6. NEGATION DATE:

NONE.

7. SUBSEQUENT COVERAGE:

24 KH-4 MISSIONS

8. DIMENSIONS/  
SPECIFICATIONS:

YEAR IN SERVICE

1966

LENGTH

WING SPAN

LEADING EDGE SWEET

57 DEGREES

MAX WEIGHT

88,700 LB

TO TO CLEAR 50 FT

8,200 FT

COMBAT RANGE

2,000 NM

MAX MISSION TIME

4.3 HR

MAX SPEED

1,210 KT AT 38,000 FT

CRUISE SPEED/ALTITUDE

512 KT AT 45,000 FT

COMBAT CEILING

53,000 FT

ARMAMENT

4 "ASH" SEMI-ACTIVE  
RADAR HOMING, 6 NM  
RANGE AAM'S.9. MISSION READOUT:8,200 X 170 FT NE/SW SERVICEABLE CONCRETE RUNWAY WITH  
A PARALLEL TAXIWAY, 2 END CONNECTING AND ONE CROSS OVER LINK, 2 ALERT APRONS  
WITH 17 HANGARETTES, 4 PARKING APRONS, ONE HARDSTAND, AND A DISPERAL AREA

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CONTAINING 9 HARDSTANDS. 9,100 X 220 FT NW/SW PROBABLY UNSERVICEABLE GRADED EARTH RUNWAY.

SUPPORT FACILITIES INCLUDE ONE SMALL AND ONE LARGE HANGAR AND AT LEAST 40 MAINTENANCE/SUPPORT BUILDINGS. AN ADMINISTRATION/BARRACKS AREA LOCATED 4,000 FT NW OF THE RP (REFERENCE POINT IS CENTER OF CONCRETE RUNWAY) CONTAINS AT LEAST 50 BUILDINGS. POL STORAGE SITE IS LOCATED 3,000 FT WNW OF THE RP. AN UNSECURED PROBABLE AAM FACILITY LOCATED IN A WOODED AREA APPROXIMATELY 6,000 FT SSW OF THE RP CONTAINS 2 PROBABLE DRIVE-IN AND AT LEAST 16 OTHER BUILDINGS. AN AW RADAR SITE LOCATED 1.9 NM NE OF THE RP CONTAINS 4 OCCUPIED RADAR MOUNDS, ONE BARRACKS BUILDING, AND SEVERAL SMALL SUPPORT BUILDINGS. A SECURED COMMO SITE LOCATED 1,000 FT ESE OF THE AW SITE CONTAINS ONE BUILDING AND SEVERAL U/I ANTENNAS. THE FIELD IS ALSO EQUIPPED WITH ILS OFF BOTH ENDS OF THE RUNWAY. AND A GCA SITE ADJACENT TO THE RUNWAY.

OB: 2 PROBABLE FIDDLER, ONE CAB, 32 SMALL SWEPT-WING, 19 SMALL DELTA-WING, AND ONE POSSIBLE AIRCRAFT IS BURNING ADJACENT TO THE NW END OF THE PARALLEL TAXIWAY.

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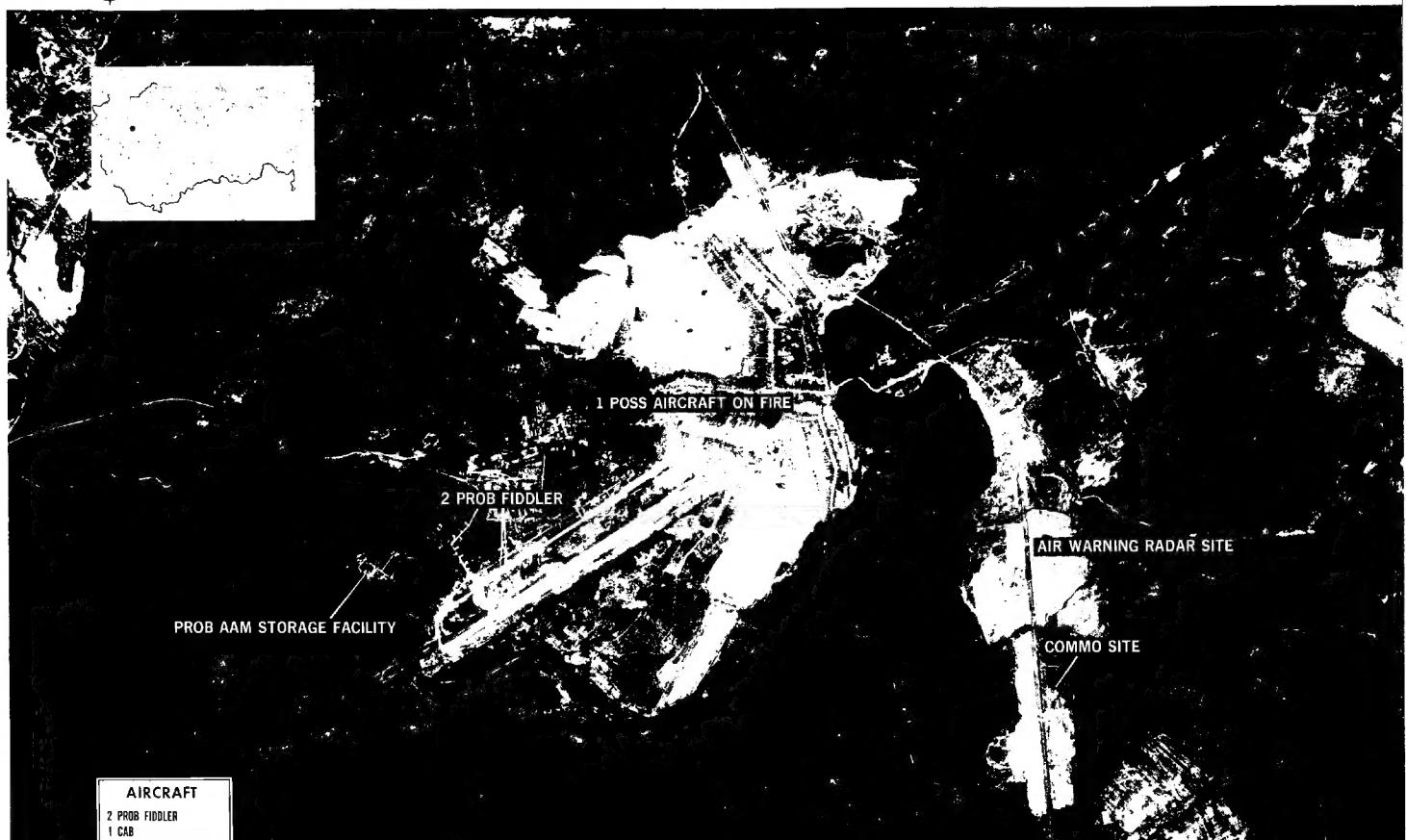
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